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TO : Chief, St/PC

THRU : Chief, Economic Research

FROM : Acting Chief, St/PR

DATE: 14 December 1954

SUBJECT: Soviet Land Utilization

REFERENCE: RQM/OIS Request dated 7 December 1954, Case No. K-1671

- 1. Referenced request asked that OFR undertake a project on land utilization in Communist China and anticipated a future extension to cover the rest of the Soviet Bloc.
- 2. The Economic Research Area is currently engaged in an extensive research project (No. 21.621) on the subject of this request. Project No. 21.621 covers the entire Bloc and though broader it includes the subject of referenced request. This project is currently scheduled for completion about 30 March 1955. The China portion of this project probably will not be completed before 1 March 1955.
- 3. Inasmuch as research is already underway on this subject it is recommended that RQM/OIS be informed of the above information and that we will forward a copy of the project upon its completion in answer to referenced request. While it is not anticipated that the requested information will be in a presentable form much before the project is actually completed, working level contact on this particular project can be exercised between DD/P and M/AG.

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